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For details on a pep rally for K-State men's basketball, turn to page 3.



tuesday, march 23, 2010

CITY COMMISSION

Ensuring safe food on agenda for City

Lauren Garrison | COLLEGIAN

Tonight, the Manhattan City Commission will meet for its regular work session at 5 p.m. and a special commission meeting will begin at 7 p.m.

After hearing the consent agenda, commissioners will hear recommendations for the addition of a food safety position, the annexing and rezoning of Grand Bluffs and the construction of a "way finder" sculpture in the roundabout at Fourth Street and Bluemont Avenue.

First the commissioners will discuss the problems surrounding the loss of about \$60,000 in annual funding for the Riley County-Manhattan Health Department. The funding cuts were made by the Kansas Department of Agriculture, KDA, as a budget-saving measure.

City Administration will give the Commission several ideas as to how the services the food safety inspector provided, such as lodging inspections, temporary/special event inspections, etc., might be preserved without hiring a new inspector.

The Commission will then hear an annexation and rezoning request from Mill Pointe Land Company. The site, named Grand Bluffs, is located south of the existing dead-end of Leone Ridge Drive, and is about 60 acres. It is currently zoned as a General Agriculture District, but is proposed to be rezoned as a Single-Family Residential District.

Lastly, the Commission will hear the final design plans for the installation of a monument/sculpture in the center of the roundabout at Fourth Street and Bluemont Avenue. Commissioners are expected to make a decision regarding the final design plans.

The monument/sculpture was designed as a "way finder," and is intended to provide directional signage pointing toward K-State, downtown Manhattan, among other venues in the community. The monument/sculpture is designed to be about 19-feet high, and will have a total width of 25 feet.

The meeting will be held in City Hall, located at 1101 Poynz Avenue.

Citizens are encouraged to attend, but can also view the meeting on cable channel 3.

Money in the Mix

Award helps with research



Maura Wery | COLLEGIAN

In February the K-State Department of Chemistry welcomed its fourth National Science Foundation CAREER award into its program.

The NSF CAREER program is for faculty members in their first five years as assistant professors.

According to the NSF CAREER Web site, it is a nationwide award that asks for, "junior faculty who exemplify the role of teacher-scholars through outstanding research, excellent education and the integration of education and research." The award especially encourages women, minorities and faculty with disability to apply.

Christine Aiken, assistant professor of chemistry, is the recipient of the award this year.

"I am very happy to be receiving the National Science Foundation's CAREER award," Aikens said. "This grant will enable our group to begin new and exciting projects in both research and teaching, and it will dramatically affect the path of my career."

The award totals \$600,000 over a four year period and will help the department become more involved in renewable energy research and outreach. Part of the award will benefit K-State students in the chemistry program, specifically in the Chemistry I laboratories.

"All faculty research is informing what is being learned by the students," said Beth Montelone, associate dean. "This award is not only going to help her do her research but take that research and translate it into her teaching and that will help the students."

Aiken will also use the award for photosystem II, a complex, naturally occurring

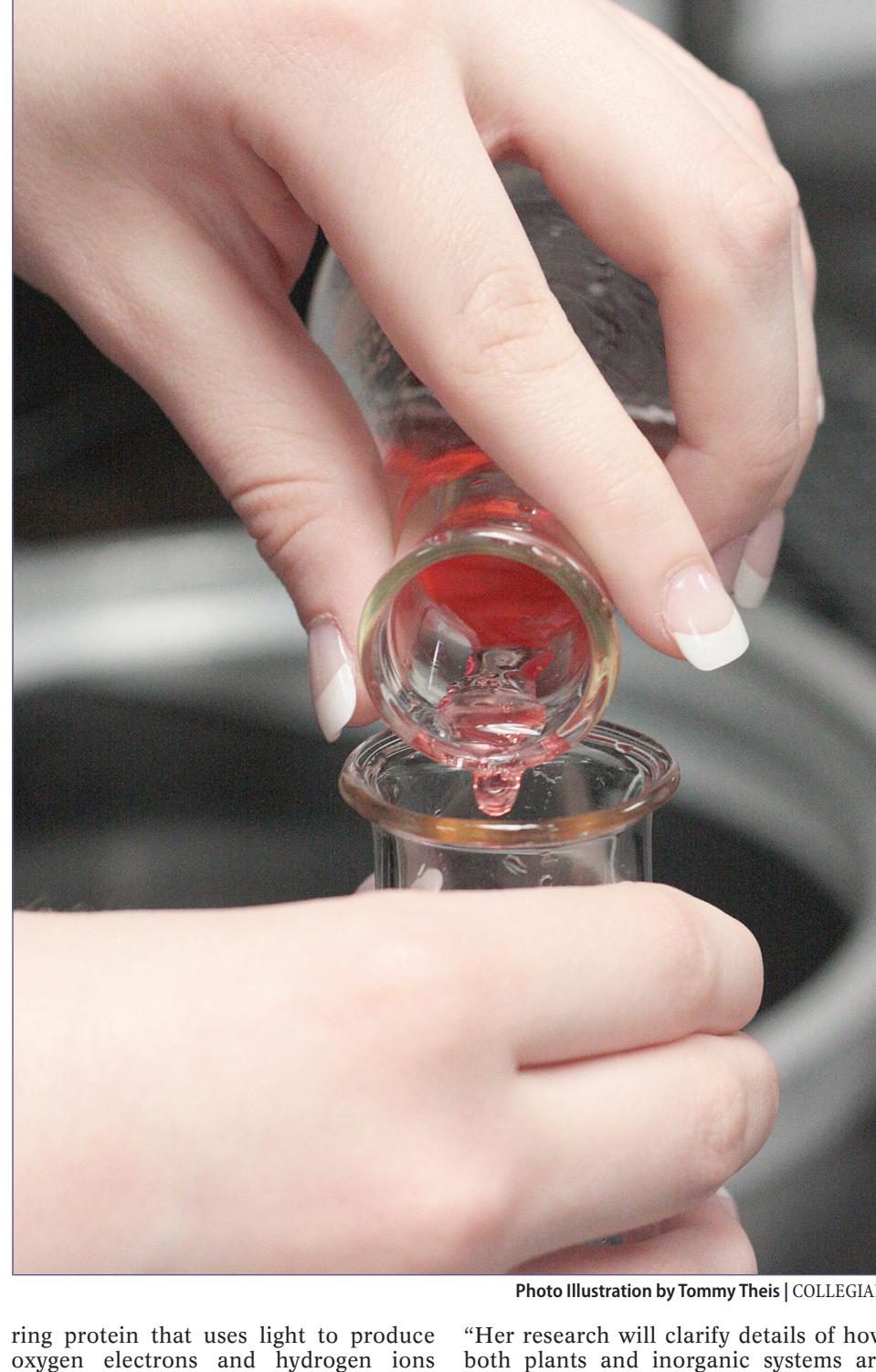


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ring protein that uses light to produce oxygen electrons and hydrogen ions from water. She said this research will help develop clean and renewable sources of energy in the 21st century.

"This natural system works very well at taking water and splitting it into oxygen and hydrogen ions, which is one step of the process to generate hydrogen as a fuel," she said. "The other is to take the hydrogen ions and turn them into H2 molecules."

Aikens plans to use this research to also start a yearly science day for middle school students that centers around renewable energy and to incorporate tools into K-State's Chemistry I courses to help visualize molecules on computers.

"Professor Aikens' receipt of a National Science Foundation CAREER Award is a tremendous recognition of her accomplishments and her future promise as a teacher-scholar," said Eric Maatta, head of the Department of Chemistry.

"Her research will clarify details of how both plants and inorganic systems are able to use light to split water into hydrogen and oxygen, a process of fundamental importance to life and to future energy sources."

There have been three other recipients of the CAREER award at K-State, and a quarter of the department's graduate faculty are CAREER award recipients.

The faculty who wished to be nominated wrote 15-page proposals presenting their ideas for research topics and unique teaching techniques. Entries range in subject from improving software to algorithms for minimalist robot teams.

Aiken earned a bachelor's degree from the University of Oklahoma in 2000 and a doctorate from Iowa State University in 2005.

She was a postdoctoral research fellow at Northwestern University before joining K-State in 2007.

'Sunny African Adventure' takes safaris back to Manhattan

Karen Ingram | COLLEGIAN

The City Commission Room at City Hall was alive with gasps, laughter and excited chatter on Monday evening. More than 70 people attended the Sunset Zoo Presents Sunny African Adventure, a multimedia presentation about African Safaris on Monday evening.

The footage was a compilation of Bob and Marilyn Johnson's eight African safaris between 1990 and 2004. Marilyn Johnson, Manhattan resident, described the sights and sounds on the video that she spent more than 40 hours editing herself.

The video took viewers on a tour around Nairobi, Mt. Kilimanjaro, the Great Rift Valley, Victoria Falls, Robben Island and more.

Much of the footage featured Africa's wildlife. The audience was treated to many laughs, including clips of a young elephant calf climbing on top of an older calf that was trying to nap and the curious monkeys that invaded the



Marilyn Johnson, Manhattan resident, gives a presentation about her trips to Africa during the City Commission meeting at City Hall Monday night.

tour van.

"You just let them," Johnson said. "You didn't want them to bite you."

The video had serious notes as well, which left the crowd in silence. Johnson described the effects of poaching on rhinos for

their horns. She showed footage of a young elephant with a wire snare wrapped around its leg, causing it to swell painfully. As the audience watched chimpanzees playing at the Jane Goodall Institute Chimpanzee Eden, Johnson described the horrific conditions the animals

had been through before coming to the sanctuary. Johnson said one of them had been kept in a tiny cage for so long, it could not stand up when they let it out.

Other highlights included lions hunting a cape buffalo, leopards napping in trees, crocodiles eat-

ing an elephant carcass in a river, a black mamba snake that wandered dangerously close to their camp and dozens of bird species. The audience was also treated to a tour of a Maasai village and the tiny prison cell on Robben Island where Nelson Mandela spent 18 of his 27 years in prison.

Marilyn Walters, Manhattan resident and member of the Sunset Zoo Board, said she enjoyed the presentation.

Allie Lousch, marketing director for the Sunset Zoo, said she was pleased by the success of the event, and that she would love to see the Johnsons share their African adventures again.

"It's nice to have so many intelligent, well-travelled people in our community," Lousch said.

Unfortunately, Johnson said that they would probably not go back to Africa again.

"I'd love to go back, but I'm getting old," Johnson said. "It's just an experience you can't believe until you've been there. It's the experience of a lifetime."



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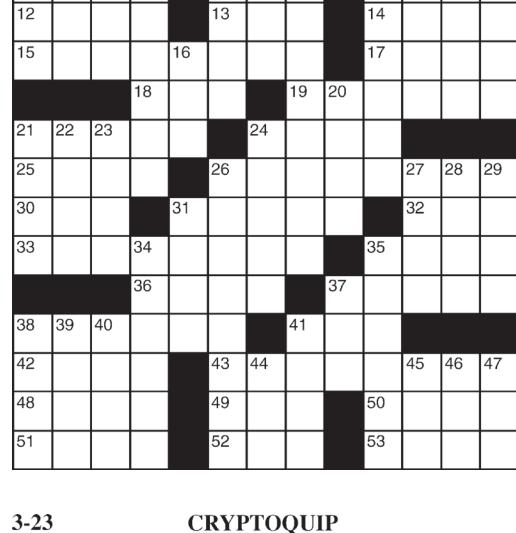
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Community Readiness Communications: Accurate Messages in Times of Crisis

March 25-26, 2010 — K-State Alumni Center

Thursday, March 25

9:30 – 10:30 a.m.: *Covering Haiti*

Robert Little, Reporter, The Baltimore Sun, Baltimore, Md.
Mark Johnson, Reporter, The Raleigh News & Observer, The Charlotte Observer, N.C.
Ray Rivera, Staff Writer, The New York Times, New York, N.Y.
Jeff Newton, Producer, 60 Minutes, New York, N.Y.

10:30 – 11:30 a.m.: *Disaster on a Deadline: Media and Disaster Preparedness*

Monica Schneider, TV Anchor/Reporter, CLTV Chicago
Kelly Furnas, Editorial Advisor, Virginia Tech
Dewey Terrill, News Director, 1420 KJCK, Junction City, Kan.

1:30 – 2:30 p.m.: *Community Issues: The Science/Health/Bio and Agro-Security Beat*

Bill Felber, Executive Editor, The Manhattan Mercury, Manhattan, Kan.
Scott Canon, Reporter, Kansas City Star, Kansas City, Kan.
Dr. Jerry Jaax, Associate Vice President for Research Compliance and University Veterinarian, Kansas State University

2:45 – 3:45 p.m.: *Health and Safety: How to Give and Get Accurate Information in a Crisis*

Dana Wethington, Chief Executive Officer, American Red Cross, Topeka, Kan.
Susanne Kufahl, Public Information Officer, Riley County-Manhattan Health Department
Sharon Watson, Public Affairs Director, Kansas Adjutant General's Department

4:00 – 5:00 p.m.: *The Personal Face of Tragedy*

Jim and Cindy Butler, Parents of Sgt. Jacob Lee Butler, Wellsville, Kan.
Dr. Brian Nelson Goff, Associate Dean for Academic Affairs & Professor, Kansas State University

Friday, March 26

9:00 – 10:00 a.m.: *Media and the Military: National Security, Terrorism & Preparedness*

Deb Skidmore, Media Relations Officer, Fort Riley, Kan.
Steve Hebert, Photojournalist, Kansas City, Kan.
Jeff Newton, Producer, 60 Minutes, New York, N.Y.

10:15 – 11:30 a.m.: *Keynote Speaker*

Deborah Potter, President and Executive Director, NewsLab, Washington, D.C.

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The Women's Studies Program, the History Department and Libraries Inclusiveness Committee of K-State Libraries is hosting a speech by Dr. Sue Zschoske Wednesday at 7 p.m. at Hale Library in the Hemisphere Room.

The entry deadline for intramural indoor soccer is Thursday by 5 p.m. Sign up in the office at Peters Recreation Complex. For more information, go online to Reservices.ksu.edu or call the office at 785-532-6980.

The Graduate School will present the final doctoral dissertation of Matthew Basel April 2 at 1 p.m. in the Chemistry/Biochemistry Building Room 437. The topic will be "Targeting Cancer Therapy: Using Protease Cleavage Sequences to Develop More Selective and Effective Cancer Treatments."

The Graduate School will present the final doctoral dissertation of Terry Harrison April 22 at 10 a.m. in Blumenthal 341D. The topic will be "Educational Participation Issues Confronting Military Personnel Assigned to Austere Remote Locations."

The Graduate School will present the final

doctoral dissertation of Raman Bansal April 21 at 11:45 a.m. in Waters 129. The topic will be "Hessian Fly Associated Microbes: Dynamics, Transmission and Essentiality."

The Graduate School will present the final doctoral dissertation of Ginny Antony today at 9 a.m. in Throckmorton 4031. The topic will be "Molecular Basis of AvrXa7 Mediated Virulence in Bacterial Blight of Rice."

The Graduate School will present the final doctoral dissertation of Sonia Esquivel Wednesday at 2 p.m. in Blumenthal 21. The topic will be "Latino/a Students' Perceptions of Their Sense of Belonging at Amador State University: Mi Casa Es Su Casa ... Or Is It Really?"

The Graduate School will present the final doctoral dissertation of Alexander Price March 30 at 2:45 p.m. in Hale 301. The topic will be "Development of Integrated Dielectric Elastomer Actuators (IDEAs): Trending Towards Smarter and Smaller Soft Microfluidic Systems."

The Graduate School will present the final doctoral dissertation of Julia Keen March 30 at 2 p.m. in Seaton 224. The topic will be "Retention of Women in Architectural Engineering."

Late entries for intramural softball will be accepted through today by 5 p.m. in the administrative office at Peters Recreation Complex. For more information, call 785-532-6980.

The Graduate School will present the final

doctoral dissertation of Eric Bernard, associate professor of landscape architecture, will present "Plan A Sense of Where We Are: Geographic Information Science and Systems" in Union 212 Thursday from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

The Peters Recreation Complex is hosting a high ropes challenge March 29 at the K-State Challenge Course, 4-7:30 p.m. For more information and to sign up, call the administrative office at the Rec at 785-532-6980.

Recreational Services personal trainers offering beginner's running workshop at 5 p.m. and advanced workshop at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday. Sign up for the free class in the Rec Office by calling 785-532-6980.

The Graduate School announces the defense of doctoral dissertation by Yared Assefa titled "Grain Sorghum in the Hybrid Era, 1957-2008: Yield with Hybrid Advancement and Improved Agronomic Practices." It will be held April 12 at 1:30 p.m. in Throckmorton 2002.

March is National Nutrition Month. Purchase a nutritional analysis at Peters Recreation Complex during the month of March for half price. Student price is \$7.50, and the fee is \$10 for Rec members. Sign up in the administrative office at the Rec Complex. Call 785-532-6980 for more information.

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If you see something that should be corrected or clarified, call news editor Bethaney Wallace at 785-532-6556 or e-mail news@spub.ksu.edu.

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RCPD continues investigating robbery of Manhattan store

Pauline Kennedy | COLLEGIAN

An investigation is still underway for an aggravated robbery, according to a report from the Riley County Police Department.

The report said a male entered Dara's Fast Lane at 3270 Kimball Ave., and robbed the clerk at gunpoint at 12:25 a.m. on March 19.

He is thought to have left the store going south by the Cico Park parking lot near Pottow Hall, possibly getting into a vehicle near Cico Park.

The report said he was seen in acid wash jeans, faded in the front, a gray hoodie with a black zipper, possibly shoes with dark soles. He also may have had a biker's wallet in his back right pocket. He was reportedly to have average height and build.

Any information can be reported to the Manhattan/Riley County Police Crimestoppers at 785-539-7777 or 1-800-222-TIPS

THREE TRANSPORTED TO MERCY HOSPITAL

A driver failed to yield, resulting in a rolled jeep and three people being transported to Mercy Hospital, said Lt. Herbert Crosby Jr. of the RCPD.

The incident occurred at the intersection of N. 10th Street and Humboldt Street.

Jacob Koenig of Salina, driving a 1999 Jeep Wrangler, traveled north on 10th Street, slowed for a yield sign and then entered the intersection. He was struck by Dallas Hamilton of 1204 Wyndham Heights in a 2000 Toyota.

The collision caused the jeep to roll. Rachel Hodges and Elizabeth Laffere, passengers in the jeep, were transported to Mercy. Hodges was treated for injuries to the head, left shoulder, ribcage and knee. Laffere was transported after hitting her head.

Cheyenne Jones, a passenger in the Toyota, was also taken to Mercy and treated for an injury to her right hand and possibly her head.

Koenig was ticketed for failure to yield the right of way.

MANHATTAN RESIDENT ARRESTED AFTER MULTIPLE VIOLATIONS

Tyler Hite, 24, of 218 on 3000 Tuttle Creek Blvd., was arrested on March 19 for six counts of failing to appear.

The violations include failure to appear for a motion to provoke on two counts of obstruction of the legal process, two counts of driving while suspended, operating a vehicle while a habitual violator and refusing to appear for alleged theft.

His bond is set at \$17,500 for the City of Manhattan

and \$4,000 for the county.

SEVERAL ITEMS STOLEN FROM VEHICLE

A vehicle burglary resulted in losses of several thousand dollars worth of items, said Lt. Herbert Crosby Jr. of the RCPD.

Someone allegedly entered the vehicle of Richard Taylor and Angelina Craw-

ford of 514 Ashwood Alley in Ogden between 6 p.m. on March 20 and 1:30 p.m. on March 21, and removed several items.

A gray Sony Walkman valued at \$80, 2 CD cases for \$40, and around 240 CDs valued at \$2,200 were stolen.

There were no signs of forced entry.

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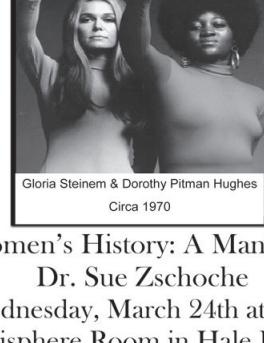
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No More Meat

Proclamation of holiday prompts trip to freezer



Chuck Fischer

Michigan is the eighth most populous state in America and home to thousands of acres of fertile farm ground. With such a large population, it is fair to assume there is quite the cross-section of people living in Michigan. As a result, there will likely be all sorts of differing viewpoints and beliefs.

One viewpoint Michigan Governor Jennifer Granholm is trying to force upon the people of Michigan is one that harms the state's second largest source of revenue. Governor Granholm recently signed a proclamation making March 21 Michigan "Meatout" Day.

The premise behind the "Meatout" Day is to encourage vegetarianism in the state of Michigan. This is similar to campaigns against violence with the National Night Out campaign. Basically, the Governor wants people to get the meat out of their diet for a day and enjoy the vegetarian lifestyle.

It may be argued whether or not it is healthier for you to be a vegetarian. One point that cannot be argued is the governor is trying to force her beliefs onto her constituents. I'm not arguing she does not have the right to let her beliefs be known and to ask people to join her; I am appalled that Governor Granholm actually signed a proclamation declaring a state-wide holiday wherein no one is supposed to eat meat.

There are two main problems with her actions. First, the First Amendment allows for the Freedom of Speech. However, I feel as though Governor Granholm is overstepping that amendment when she is signing documents making a certain lifestyle seem to be the only option for people even for one day a year.

Second, Michigan's second leading revenue generating industry is agriculture. A huge part of agriculture is meat production. So, why would Governor Granholm not want to support one of her state's largest sources of revenue? Why not support those hard-working farmers and ranchers that, statistically speaking, got her elected?

Maybe I am under the wrong assumption here. I thought, as a public official, you would want to please your constituents that elected you to your position. I realize no one can please everyone all the time with every decision made. However, I do not see the intelligence in forcing a lifestyle upon people. This would be like the President declaring for one day a year, there can be no heterosexual relationships. That would upset a large percent of the American population.



Illustration by Ginger Pugh

To clarify, I do not care if someone is a vegetarian or is not a heterosexual. It makes no difference to me because it does not directly affect me or have a major influence on my life. I have friends and acquaintances that fit into both categories. I feel they, and every American, have the right to be whomever they want and live whatever lifestyle they choose as long as they do not try to impose on my choices.

What Governor Granholm is trying to do is to impose a lifestyle on her constituents. That does not allow them to make their own lifestyle choices nor does it shine a very pleasing light upon

vegetarians.

I grew up on a farm and raised livestock for many years. I know the hard work that comes with farming and ranching. I know if I were a rancher in Michigan, I would be most upset with Governor Granholm for not supporting my revenue-generating profession. I also know on "Meatout" Day, I would definitely have to get some "meat out" of the freezer to cook out on the grill.

Chuck Fischer is a junior in business. Please send comments to opinion@spub.ksu.edu.

K-Staters have reason to brag about sports, academics



Leslie Campbell

Kansas State University is finally receiving the credit it deserves for being hard working and a force to be reckoned with in its basketball program. With the win against Brigham Young University, the Wildcats are entering into the Sweet 16 national tournament for the first time since 1988.

As diehard Wildcat fans, I'm sure we are all aware of this, but it does not curb

the novelty or excitement we all feel. We should be proud and we should continue our undying support and praise for the team and our university.

Not only did we enter into the Sweet 16, but also KU lost and are out of the running. Maybe it's petty, but it made our victory that much sweeter. What goes around comes around and we are finally gaining recognition for an accomplishment we deserve.

Besides basketball, as K-State students I hope this victory will help us feel overall more pride in our school. We have a beautiful campus, wonderful teachers, a supportive and loyal student body and a great college town to be proud of.

One thing we will and have always possessed over KU is our friendly de-

meanor. As an out-of-state student, I toured K-State and felt an overwhelming sense of welcoming and people trying to help me in any way they could. A few days later I toured the KU campus and it was a completely different experience. First, the hills are treacherous. Secondly, no one cared I was there. There was no one trying to answer my questions or help me out. I felt like just another annoying freshman that would just get lost in the mass of people. There is no comparison between the friendly atmosphere of K-State to KU.

Academically, we are one of the top ranking schools nationally in our total number of Rhodes, Marshall, Goldwater, Udall and Truman scholars. For a public college, K-State is rated as a great value and a top school where cam-

pus and community relations are strong. We are known to KU as an agriculture school, but we have a strong interior design program and engineering program, as well as one of *Business Week's* top undergraduate business programs. For a school "in the middle of nowhere" we have an impressive academic resume.

K-State has a lot to brag and be proud about, whether it is our athletics that keep improving every year, or our awesome, friendly campus or our award-winning academics. Now that we are on the national stage as a basketball powerhouse, hopefully people will take notice and KU will take the backseat it deserves.

Leslie Campbell is a junior in apparel and textiles. Please send comments to opinion@spub.ksu.edu.

The Collegian editors are proud to be K-Staters. This is why.

"For me K-State's a family affair – not only because of the way people treat each other here, but because my dad was a two-sport athlete here, I have family members that graduated from here and my sister is going to join me next year."

Tim Schrag
EDGE EDITOR

"I really enjoy Manhattan. The people seem very down to earth, and it's nice to

be away from all of those Jayhawks."

Tommy Theis
PHOTO EDITOR

"Born and raised purple. And also a little out of spite because most KU fans tend to be arrogant."

Bethaney Wallace
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Hannah Loftus
OPINION EDITOR

"My dad went to K-State for undergrad, and then went to KU for his law degree, so I was raised with pride for both. I was never one to bleed purple, except during basketball season."

Lauren Garrison
METRO EDITOR

"I enjoy K-State because my brother came here before me and I grew up with this school. Following K-State football as a child was fun."

Grant Guggisberg
CO-SPORTS EDITOR

"My favorite color is purple and when I was in high school I told everyone I was going to go to K-State. I finally made it. Go 'Cats."

Corene Brisendine
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

"I am proud to be a K-Stater because the student body will not be pushed around. They stand up for themselves and take action against injustice."

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Manhattan hosts music, diversity, comedy, dance acts

MARCH 25, 8 P.M.

Longhorns Saloon
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UPC Lunchtime Lounge:

Dani Lucas
2010 K-State Idol Runner-up
Wednesday, March 24 from Noon-1 p.m. K-State Student Union Courtyard, ground floor.

K-State After Hours:

The Kool Down: Spring Break Extravaganza
Featuring swimming, live music, contests and free food!

Friday, March 26, 10 p.m.-1 a.m. at the KSU Natatorium.

"K-State For All! Disability Awareness Week"
See K-state.edu/dss for a complete list of events. UPC is helping with most events.

Dancing with the K-State Stars, Season 2
Tuesday, March 30, 7:30 p.m. at McCain Auditorium.

2010 INCLUSION WEEK

The Human Race Machine - Students can see what they would look like as another race, older, younger or mixed with a partner!

Inclusion Week Wall - Write on or post pictures or drawings related to inclusion in society.

Monday-Friday, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Outside of food court, K-State Student Union, first floor.

Inclusion Week Religion Panel

Thursday, March 25, noon-1 p.m. K-State Student Union Courtyard, ground floor.

Inclusion Week LGBT Film: "Prayers for Bobby" Nominated for two 2009 Primetime Emmy Awards. Thursday, March 25, at 2 p.m. in the K-State Student Union, Little Theatre, first floor.



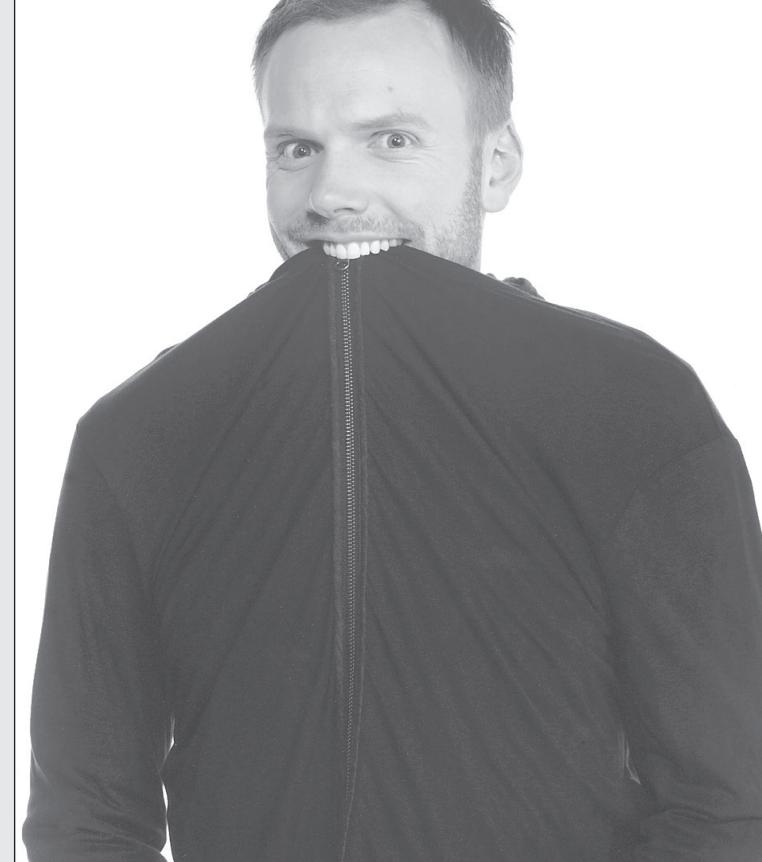
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Comedian Doug Stanhope: Wareham Opera House



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Step into spring with the K-State Dance program as they present another evening of dance in McCain Auditorium. Audiences will see choreography showcasing ballet, jazz, tap dance and modern dance pieces performed by talented K-State Dance students. Neil Dunn, David Ollington, Julie L. Pentz and Joyce Yagerline will present choreography. Also featured will be choreography by guest artist Clifton Keefer Brown.



COMEDIAN JOEL MCHALE, AS SEEN ON E!'S 'THE SOUP' AND NBC'S 'COMMUNITY'

Saturday, April 10, 8 p.m. at McCain Auditorium.

K-State students: \$45, \$29, \$24 and \$18. Non-students: \$65, \$45, \$38 and \$32. Students must show valid K-State ID to enter. Tickets are available at the McCain Auditorium Box Office, 11 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Monday-Friday; the K-State Student Union Box Office, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Tuesday-Friday or by calling 785-532-6428. Applicable fees apply.

-Complied
by Tim Schrag

Customized footwear offers individuality to consumers



Lucrecia Nold

When it comes to fashion, everybody has their own personal style they usually love to share with the world; as a result, many consumers look for customization of clothing products.

To help them do this, different companies have started to allow customers to individualize certain products via Web sites and catalogs. A main industry allowing customers to do such a thing is the shoe industry.

Popular shoe companies like Vans, Chuck Taylor Converse and Nike all have applications on their Web sites that allow consumers to personalize pairs of shoes.

At these Web sites, customers start out by choosing which shoe style they would like to buy. From there, it is usually a step-by-step process of personalizing the different sections of the

shoe. This includes everything from the body of the shoe to the inside, the tongue, the shoelaces and much more.

With each section customers are given a set of colors and patterns to choose from and to be added to their shoes. Once this is finished, they also have the choice of personalizing it one step further, possibly by having a message stitched onto the shoe.

Most people choose to either have their name or perhaps a jersey number stitched onto theirs, but obviously it is totally up to them, which is one reason why these customization options are so popular.

When finished designing the shoes, all that is left to do is check out. New pairs of shoes usually take about four weeks to be made and delivered.

In the end, personalizing your own pair of kicks will cost anywhere from \$20 - \$50, even if you purchase pre-designed shoes. There is definitely an upside to customizing your own pair of shoes, because they typically end up being something you both enjoy and that are uniquely your own. However, like customization, choosing the pair of shoes you like is totally up to you.

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Growing Up



Wildcats Team Captain **Chris Meriewether** talks to the crowd at Monday's pep-rally about the rise of the Wildcats, from his first year with **Frank Martin** to now, and the accomplishment of being the first Wildcats team since 1988 to make it to the Sweet 16 in the NCAA tournament.

K-State looks back, ahead

Grant Guggisberg | COLLEGIAN

After getting to its first Sweet 16 since 1988, K-State wanted to celebrate.

The athletic department held a pep rally to send off the Wildcat men's basketball team to play sixth-seeded Xavier on Thursday. Thousands of fans poured into Bramlage Coliseum when the doors opened at 5:45 p.m., filling the west side of the building with a mob of purple-clad fans, eager to celebrate the team's success.

Speakers included head coach Frank Martin, athletic director John Currie and two of the team's players, senior Chris Meriewether and junior Jacob Pullen. Martin offered a sense of confidence as he addressed the crowd.

"I told this team, I haven't said this to any other team, because I didn't think they were ready for it," Martin said. "I told this team, 'Listen, you guys have earned the right. This year is our time, go take advantage of it.'

"We're not quite there yet, but you know what? There is no doubt in my mind that these guys behind me are going to sacrifice this weekend once again and take another step into making it our time this year."

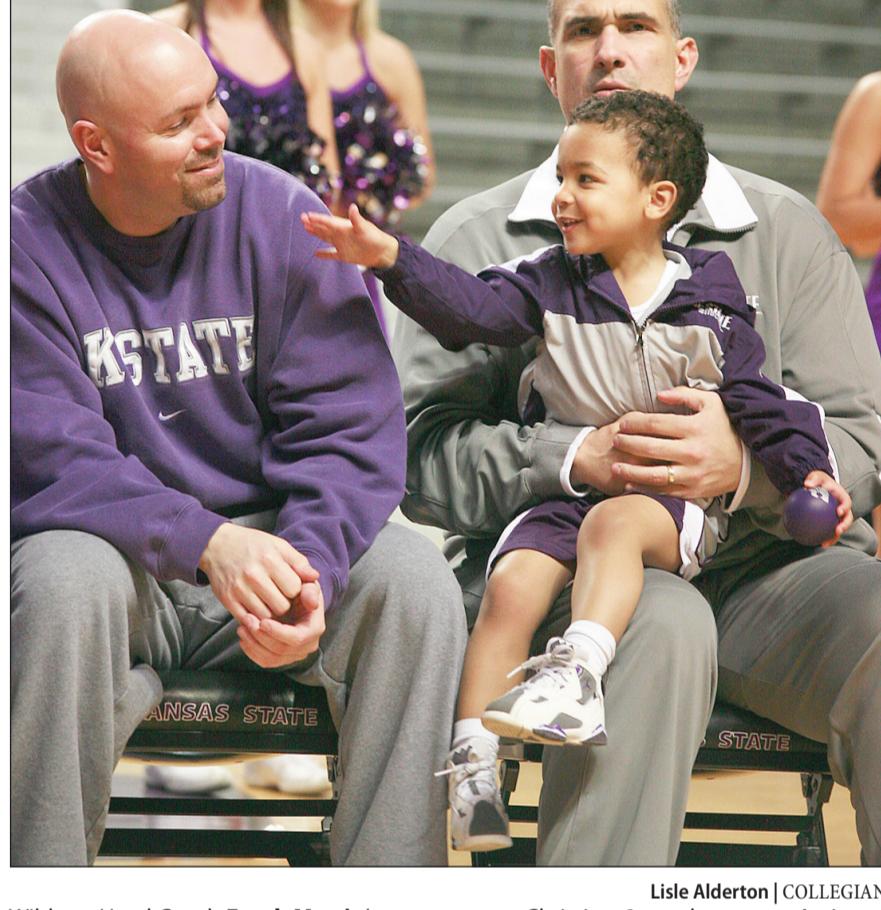
Also featured in the pep rally were the Classy Cats and cheer squad, as well

as the K-State pep band and, of course, Willie the Wildcat. Currie encouraged the crowd and thanked Martin, who has earned national recognition for the team's performance this season. He also encouraged the crowd to stay away from the word entitlement, but instead to go out and earn the type of recognition they are receiving this season.

The players each spoke briefly, thanking the fans that have supported them in Bramlage, Kansas City's Sprint Center, Oklahoma City's Ford Center and soon to be Salt Lake City's EnergySolutions Arena.

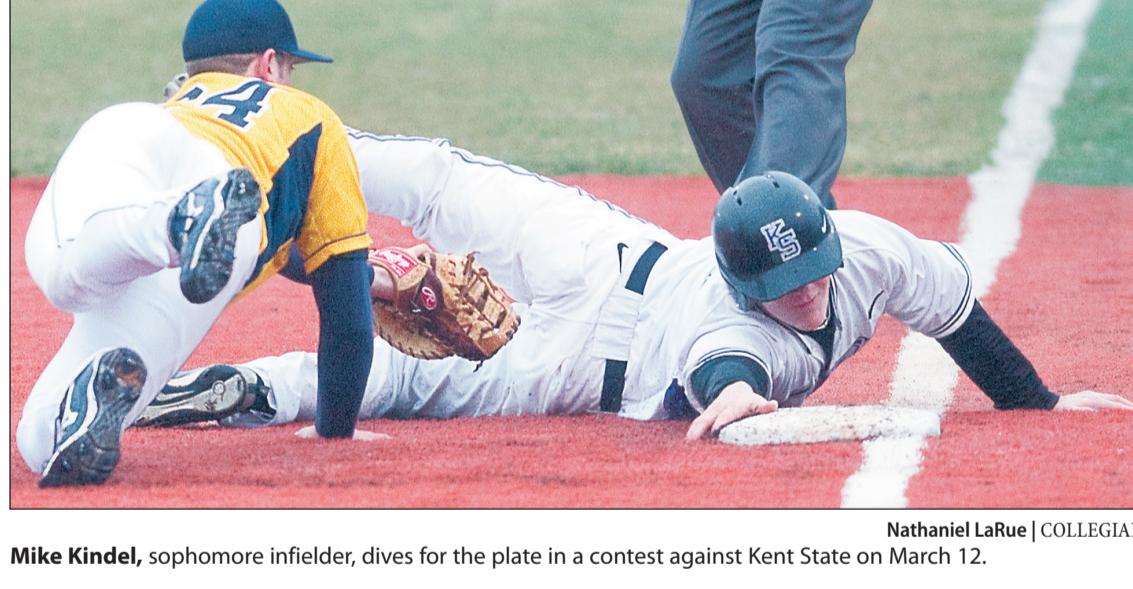
"I'm not into predicting the future, but I know this: we've talked about trying to hang something from the rafters here since the day we got here," Martin said to the crowd. "There is not a group of guys in the country that I have more confidence in to do that than the guys right here behind me. We're going to go sacrifice and we're going to go pick up and play like we have all year, to overcome, to find a way and to make it happen so you folks can be back in here next Monday."

Should the Wildcats win two more games this weekend, they would advance to their first Final Four since 1964, when they lost in the National Semifinals to UCLA, 90-84.



Wildcats Head Coach **Frank Martin**'s youngest son Christian, 2, reaches out to Assistant Coach **Matt Figger** at the men's basketball pep rally in Bramlage Coliseum Monday.

BASEBALL



Nathaniel LaRue | COLLEGIAN

Mike Kindel, sophomore infielder, dives for the plate in a contest against Kent State on March 12.

Cats to continue season against NU Jets

Blake Thorson | COLLEGIAN

After the most successful season in K-State baseball history and a school record for players drafted in last season's MLB draft, most assumed the Wildcats would see a decline in their level of play. However, this year's squad is out to prove they are capable of making a run to the College World Series.

"We have been successful because we bought into the style that we played last season," said junior shortstop Carter Jurica. "We still have a lot of older guys that can show the young guys how we do things here."

K-State has come out of the gates hot this season as they possess a 15-3 record heading into today's contest with Newman University. The Wildcats, who are in the midst of a 13-game home stand, have won six of their first seven at home, including a 2-1 record in spring break games.

The only thing able to cool K-State thus far has been the weather. The Cats took a doubleheader from University of Milwaukee-Wisconsin last Friday before the weekend games were canceled.

due to snow. This is the third game the Wildcats have had to cancel this season due to weather.

The one slip up of the home stand thus far came last Tuesday against the Creighton Bluejays. It was the second consecutive year the Bluejays have defeated the Wildcats. This year, they downed K-State by a tally of 7-4.

Sophomore Kayvon Bahramzadeh pitched well for the Wildcats, throwing five innings and allowing only two runs, but he received little offensive support throughout the evening.

K-State did manage two runs in the bottom of the fourth to take a 2-1 lead. Sophomore Mike Kindel continued to deliver extra base hits as he had an RBI-triple in the inning.

However, a couple of late home-run blasts off junior reliever Thomas Rooke would be the Wildcats undoing. They could not climb back from a 7-2 eighth-inning deficit. Rooke picked up the loss and moved his record to 0-1 on the season. Jurica went 0-3, snapping his season-long 15-game hitting streak.

K-State then picked up two

excellent pitching performances on Friday at Tointon Family Stadium against UW-Milwaukee. Senior Ryan Daniel (5-0) pushed his win streak to five straight starts as he limited the Panthers to eight hits and zero runs through seven innings, while recording seven strikeouts in the early game of the doubleheader.

At the plate, the upperclassmen did most of the damage. Seniors Adam Muenster, Daniel Dellesega and Jurica continued their hot hitting and recorded multi-hit games. Dellesega and Jurica also drove in three runs in the 4-0 victory.

In the finale on Friday, sophomore starter Evan Marshall continued the trend his senior teammate had begun as he surrendered only five hits and one run over 7.1 innings of work, while striking out eight. However, Marshall was unable to pick up the win as only a late-inning rally would give the Wildcats a 2-1 victory.

Today's game with Newman University is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. at Tointon Family Stadium. This game was scheduled on the fly after two canceled games this past weekend.

NCAA concerned only about making money



Grant Guggisberg

If you're a fan of the NCAA tournament the way it is now, brace yourself for impending and unnecessary change.

I'm calling it right now, the NCAA is going to pull the trigger on this format change and it's going to be horrible for college basketball.

After attending my first NCAA tournament game, I came to the conclusion that the NCAA is truly only interested in money, at least when it comes to the organization's top-earning sports.

All season, ESPN analysts and other media pundits have been arguing over whether expanding the NCAA tournament is a good idea. Few people have come to the conclusion that it would be and yet the talks are still going on.

I won't get into a discussion about whether it's a good idea – it's clearly not. However, the NCAA's primary motivation is money. If you add 32 more teams to the tournament, then you sell another round's worth of tickets. You air 16 extra games on television, where you can sell more advertising.

I had never been to or covered an NCAA tournament game until this past weekend in Oklahoma City. Turns out, the NCAA goes out of its way to make a large amount of money for each game. Accompanying that earning plan is a set of rules that mostly come off as unnecessary. Perhaps the most ridiculous rule is the Vitamin Water cups.

If you've watched very much of this tournament, you've probably seen multiple little white and purple cups that say Vitamin Water on the side. Anyone, be it the

media or the coaches, drink out of these cups. The most ridiculous part of this situation is they served Coke products, as well as bottled water (not made by Vitamin Water). It didn't matter what you were drinking, if you wanted to take it to your seat out on the court, it had to be in a Vitamin Water cup.

That's fine, I understand they sold a blanket beverage sponsorship to Vitamin Water, but that doesn't explain why they wouldn't allow us to take the actual bottles of Vitamin Water onto the court.

Under their system, you were pouring out half of the beverage because the cups were too small. It made me want to protest by wearing an oversized and eye-catching Gatorade shirt as I sat courtside and watched basketball all day.

In past football seasons, I've heard about a Utah politician who was so upset with the current BCS system that he called for the U.S. Government's investigation into the NCAA as a trust or a monopoly. At the time, I thought it was just Utah congressman trying to earn votes in Utah by sticking up for the undefeated and excluded home team, the Utah Utes. But after this weekend, I think there is serious room for discussion along that front. The NCAA can literally do whatever it wants.

If they decide they want to expand the tournament to make more money, they'll do it. In the process, they'll destroy the greatest postseason championship in sports history. But no one can actually stop them from doing it. Anyone who has watched knows that expanding the tournament will only water it down with teams that do not belong. This past weekend, an upset-filled and all-around entertaining weekend of basketball proved that the system is fine the way it is.

Anyone who wants to change it is only looking at dollar signs.

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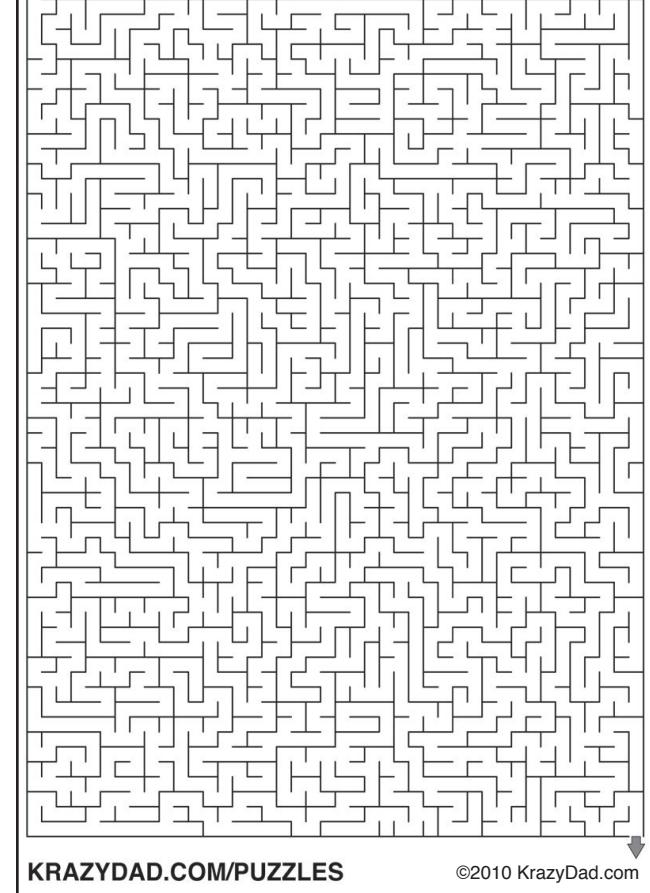
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